APPEAL AGAINST REFUSAL OF PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW QUARRY ON LAND AT THE FORMER HATFIELD AERODROME

APPLICATION REFERENCE: PL/0232/21;

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APPELLANT: Brett Aggregates Limited

ADDRESS OR LOCATION AND THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Land at Hatfield Aerodrome, Off Hatfield Road, Hatfield, Hertfordshire

All representations must quote the appeal reference: **APP/M1900/W/24/3346607**

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With reference to the Public Access Strategy, 19 page document, dated February 2026.

Dear Inspector,

I cannot understand how a quarry can be integrated into Ellenbrook Park.
Surely, once the quarry goes ahead it will be limited for park users with only narrow designated paths.
Brett claim that 85% of the park will be open, how can that be when significant part of the area will be labelled Plant & Lagoons. This calculation is based on the whole park which is not in their jurisdiction, in reality its half.

At the moment, I can travel unhindered to any part of the park, my principal route is along the old taxiway, I can enjoy the openness of the Ellenbrook Fields. Visitors will be corralled through narrow muddy paths with bunds on one side and the quarry on another. There will be no open vista nor wildlife to enjoy.

You claim incremental work process but with no time on each section – do we have to wait for 32 years to have our park back?
Also you claim biodiversity will be back when there is a single lake – does biodiversity also wait for 32 years to come back?

Who will be responsible for the “reclaimed land from each phase” is it Brett or the Ellenbrook Park Trust?

I don’t think anyone has thought this through.

Marion Hartung